

PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT MAJOR BRIDGE WORK

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MD 313 over Marshyhope Creek

SHA WORK TO EXTEND LIFE OF BRIDGE

The State Highway Administration (SHA) will rehabilitate the bridge on MD 313 over Marshyhope Creek in Caroline County. The main objective of this project is to replace the bridge deck. Other work will include installing additional piling at two of the piers, cleaning and painting the steel beams, and performing minor repairs to the concrete abutments.

For additional information, you are invited to attend a Public Meeting on April 19, 2011.

The Informational Meeting will acquaint the public with the project and provide citizens an opportunity to inform SHA of any special concerns they may have. Display areas will be set up depicting the anticipated project MD 313 over Marshyhope Creek Informational Meeting

WHEN:

Tuesday, April 19, 2011

5:30 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

Arrive at any time. There is no formal presentation.

WHERE:

Federalsburg Volunteer Fire Company Hall

208 N. University Avenue Federalsburg, MD 21632

work, and SHA representatives will be available to discuss project issues and answer questions concerning the proposed construction. No formal presentation will be given. Feel free to arrive at any time and walk through at your own pace.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Why is the work necessary?

Constructed in 1962, the MD 313 bridge over Marshyhope Creek is structurally safe but showing signs of significant deterioration. The proposed deck replacement will extend the service life of the bridge an additional 30 – 50 years, and is part of SHA's bridge preservation and replacement program aimed at providing reliable facilities in a timely manner.

How will traffic be impacted by construction activities?

The current proposed method for maintaining traffic is to maintain two-way traffic in one traffic lane through a system of traffic signals located at each end of the project. This method has been used successfully on many other SHA projects.

Have any other alternatives been considered?

Several options to rehabilitate the bridge while minimizing impacts to the public have been considered. Maintaining both lanes of traffic during construction was not an option because the bridge is too narrow to maintain both lanes and perform rehabilitation work. Consideration was also given to closing the roadway and detouring all traffic to adjacent highways, but while this had the advantage of allowing the project to be completed in the shortest time, it was not ideal due to the length of the detour required for truck traffic on this roadway.

When will work be completed?

Construction is scheduled to begin spring 2012 and expected to be complete by early fall 2012, weather permitting. See map on reverse side

FOR MORE INFORMATION

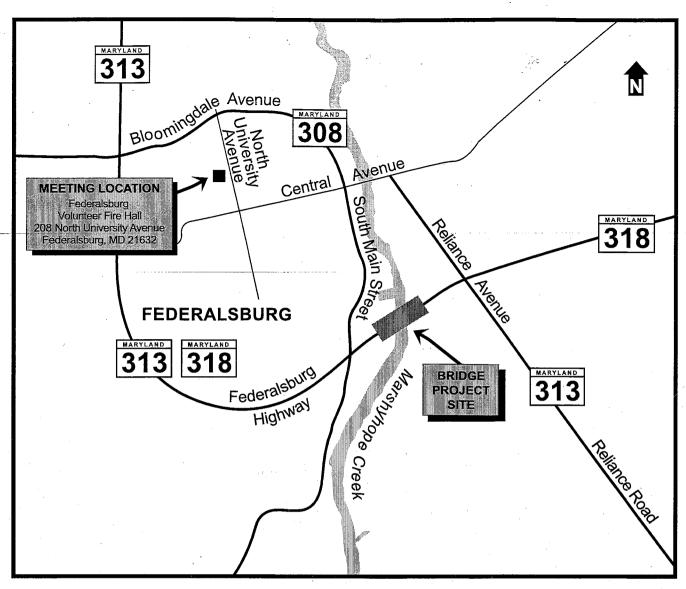
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REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE

The Maryland Relay Service can assist teletype users at 711. Persons requiring assistance to participate (interpreter for hearing/speech disabilities or who need assistance with the English language) should contact Mr. Robert by April 12, 2011.

SHA appreciates the patience and cooperation of the community and apologizes for any inconvenience. SHA reminds motorists to "think orange" when driving through work zones by staying alert and slowing down. Always buckle up, and please drive safely.



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